Now in its fourth decade of fostering academic excellence, Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) is proud to continue its annual award of the Academic Excellence Scholarship Program for recent high school graduates. Awardees have consistently remained amongst the highest academic performers at the College.

In selecting students for the Academic Excellence Scholarship Program, the College has partnered with its high school colleagues. Cuyahoga Community College offers its students a faculty focused on teaching, learning and student success.

Students are selected for the Scholarship on the basis of excellence in scholarship, leadership, service and character.

Scholarship Requirements:
- Be a high school graduate from the Class of 2017.
- Be admitted Cuyahoga Community College as an incoming freshman for Fall 2017.
- Be a resident of Cuyahoga county or neighboring counties to Cuyahoga county.
- Obtain a 3.00 or higher grade point average (GPA) in high school, on a 4.00 point scale
  - Submit an official high school transcript through the seventh high school semester to apply for the scholarship and provide an official high school transcript upon graduation to verify grade point average after notification of the award.
  - NOTE: Students enrolled in College Credit Plus at Tri-C must also have a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 at Tri-C to be considered for this scholarship.
- Placement at college-level coursework in both English and math; as determined by the College’s administered assessment test, ACCUPLACER Test or ACT/SAT equivalence.
- Submit an essay, as outlined on the attached page.
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) – www.fafsa.gov after October 1, 2016 for the 2017-2018 academic year. FAFSA must be completed by March 15, 2017 to be considered for the scholarship.
- OPTIONAL: Provide a written letter of recommendation from high school faculty or administrator.

Scholarships are awarded up to $2,500 per academic year.

**Scholarship is renewable for one (1) academic year, based on recipient maintaining a minimum cumulative grade point average at Cuyahoga Community College of 2.75 or higher each semester. Minimum credits per semester for the scholarship eligibility is twelve (12) credits. Students are encouraged to enroll in fifteen (15) credits each semester to graduate within two (2) years.

All scholarship applicants should complete the attached 2017-2018 Academic Excellence Scholarship application and all scholarship requirements, listed above, by March 15, 2017.
GENERAL INFORMATION:

All scholarship applicants must be admitted to the College before completing the scholarship application.

Name: ____________________________   Tri-C Student ID: ____________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________  County: ________________________________  Zip: ____________

Telephone: Home (______) ___________________   Cell (______) ________________________________

High School: ____________________________

Grade Point Average: ______________   Class Rank (optional): __________________

High School Curriculum: ______________________________________________________

List your academic awards and the year received.

1. ________________________________________________________________________
2. ________________________________________________________________________
3. ________________________________________________________________________

List your leadership experiences and the year completed.

1. ________________________________________________________________________
2. ________________________________________________________________________
3. ________________________________________________________________________

List your community service activities and the year completed:

1. ________________________________________________________________________
2. ________________________________________________________________________
3. ________________________________________________________________________

Mail To:
Cuyahoga Community College
Student Financial Aid & Scholarships
P.O. Box 5907
Cleveland, OH 44101-5907
ESSAY (typed, double-spaced):

In 300 words or less, please describe how the Academic Excellence Scholarship will help you achieve your educational pursuits at Cuyahoga Community College in your chosen field of study?

The essay is critical in helping the selection committee to make final recommendations of awardees. We encourage applicants to thoroughly review, revise, and correct grammar, spelling, and typos before submitting the essay that represents your candidacy for this scholarship award.

Student Signature: __________________________________________ Date: ________________